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TOOLS OF THE TRADE—KWAR programming director junior James May displays the different tools of the KWAR studio for high school students during the 2000 Media Day. Sponsored by the Society of Collegiate Journalists, the event drew more than 130 students to the Wartburg communication arts department.

Fire alarm raises more than students

Elaina Meier
Editor-in-Chief

Between 2:30 and 2:45 a.m. Saturday morning, students living in the Complex were awakened by the sound of fire alarms, according to Dana Barnard, Complex residence hall director.

John Myers, director of campus security, four or five had men completely discharged a fire extinghuisher on Vollmer 3, setting off the alarms.

"I heard three boys running through the floor beforehand," said Vollmer 3 resident freshman Allison Kuball.

The fire extinguisher released a dry chemical substance that filled the hallway with smoke and set off the smoke detectors.

"I couldn't see the door that was next to me," said freshman Kaela Bemis.

The smoke continued to fill the hallway, eventually leaving a dusty residue on the floor, walls and in rooms.

"When I looked down the hall, I couldn't see either way because of the fog...I assumed there was a fire," said freshman Christine Eige.

The men responsible for the prank were reported to security as immediately leaving the building and driving off. They have yet to be identified.

Most students did not know what was going on, what to do, or where to go. Rumors of an actual fire on Vollmer 3 circulated among students gathered outside of the complex.

"We didn't know what to do or where to go," said freshman Laura Wolff.

"My greatest frustration was that people weren't leaving," said resident assistant Amy Cmelik.

Barnard stated that in the event of an actual fire, students need to vacate the building immediately, grabbing shoes and warm clothes if possible and move away from the building.

Once outside, students found themselves looking for fire trucks.

"I don't understand why the fire department wasn't there. I walked outside and was like, 'Where are the fire trucks?'" said freshman Amanda Baker.

"[Deciding whether or not to call the fire department] is a hard call to make because the fire department in Waverly is a volunteer one. Once we assessed the situation and determined that there wasn't a need, it could have taken them a lot longer to get here," said Barnard.

Many students, however, spoke of the incident last January at Seton Hall University. An early morning fire in one of the freshman dorms killed three and left 54 injured.

Complex residents were allowed back into the building around 3 a.m. However, residents of Vollmer 3 were kept in Centennial 1 lounge for an additional fifteen to twenty minutes so the smoke could settle.

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Barnard informed the students that the material released from the extinguisher was potentially harmful to their lungs.

According to the Iowa Poison Control Center, the health risk posed by exposure to material released from an extinguisher varies based on the materials used in the extinguisher. Lungs, eyes and skin are at risk for irritation.

"A few of the residents have been coughing," said Barnard, who noted that no one had sought medical attention.

"It is kind of an unsafe environment," said Emily Speltz, Vollmer 3 resident assistant, of the condition of her floor on Saturday. The students took it upon themselves to clean.

"It was very disrespecting to our floor now that we have to clean up," said freshman Laura Nielsen.

A lack of fire trucks and potentially dangerous chemicals were not the only student worries Saturday morning.

Half of the Hebron 3 fire alarms did not go off. Hebron 3 is divided by a stairway and a door, creating two segments of the floor.

Barnard confirmed that the alarms did not sound properly. Maintenence has been informed of the problem.

Alarm malfunction is not a new problem, according to residents of third floor Hebron.

Stephan Weissmann and John Hansen noted that there was also a malfunction during a September drill. "Oh yeah, it was a known problem too," said Weissmann when asked if they reported the malfunction.

The problem was noted by Barnard during the drill and passed on to security.

According to Barnard, nine of the 12 floors were vandalised during the night.

When asked if alcohol played any part in the events, Banard stated that while she could not confirm the presence of alcohol, she felt there was a strong possibility.

Finals require time and effort now

Kacy Burg
Staff Writer

Although Thanksgiving Break is the only thing on many students' minds right now, it's getting to be time to start thinking about final exams again. In fact, now is an excellent time to plan for finals, according to Vicki Edelnant, Pathways Center director.

"You have the time now," Edelnant said. "Even if you put things off a bit earlier in the semester, if you plan carefully now, you can still make a real difference in how things come out."

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> —Vicki Edelnant"

The Pathways Center has many resources and suggestions that can help students prepare for finals. In addition to the suggestion to visit Pathways with study questions or needs, Edelnant had some suggestions of her own for students. She said her biggest tip is to get started early: right now, if possible.

"I think one of the reasons why people don't start now is because it looks so overwhelming," said Edelnant.

Edelnant explained that students should avoid becoming overwhelmed when looking at everything that they need to study. In order to avoid such anxiety, Edelnant suggested "chunking" material — dividing it into small sections and then scheduling times to study each section.

"What I see students often doing is saying, 'I'll study for six hours on Saturday,' rather than breaking up the material to study a little each night," she said. "Even if you actually do sit there the entire day Saturday, you really won't absorb all of the material because it's just too much all at once."

Edelnant said students need to use the time that they have available right now by setting goals and planning ahead. She said many students think that goals are what they want to do when they are 50, but goals should actually be more short-term, such as goals for the night, week or term.

"Maybe your goal for the term is to get all Bs in your classes," she said. "Then look at that in terms of smaller goals, deciding what you need to do this week and this day in order to get those Bs."

She also suggested sitting down now with a copy of the syllabus and a planner, looking at when each exam is and what times are available to study.

Once students set goals and schedules for themselves, they need to make sure that they do productive studying. Edelnant said this can be a problem for many students.

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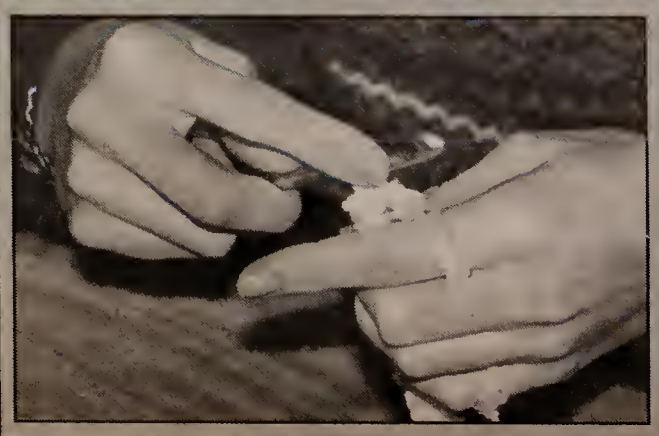

Hobby lobby, a new club on campus, provides students with some crafty experiences.
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Nothing wrong with tie score

Chris Thomas

Sitting down to write my weekly spew for you, I was bound and determined not to write about the election and for the most part I'm not going to. However, the state of affairs in Florida has me thinking. Does anyone really care who wins anymore? Or are we, as Americans, just longing to find out who the winner is?

Personally, as you may or may not know, I have been pulling for Al Gore. I think George W. Bush's policies are insane and shoot me for not wanting a President who doesn't know that Medicare is a federal program. But regardless, even I just want the elections to be over . So why are we all so concerned?

Because the country is obsessed with winning. Whether it is a presidential election or a soccer game between groups of fourth graders, we always want a definite winner for everything we do in America.

The best example comes from professional sports. There isn't one sport in the country that will settle for a tie. Hockey and football eventually will, but not before playing overtime periods.

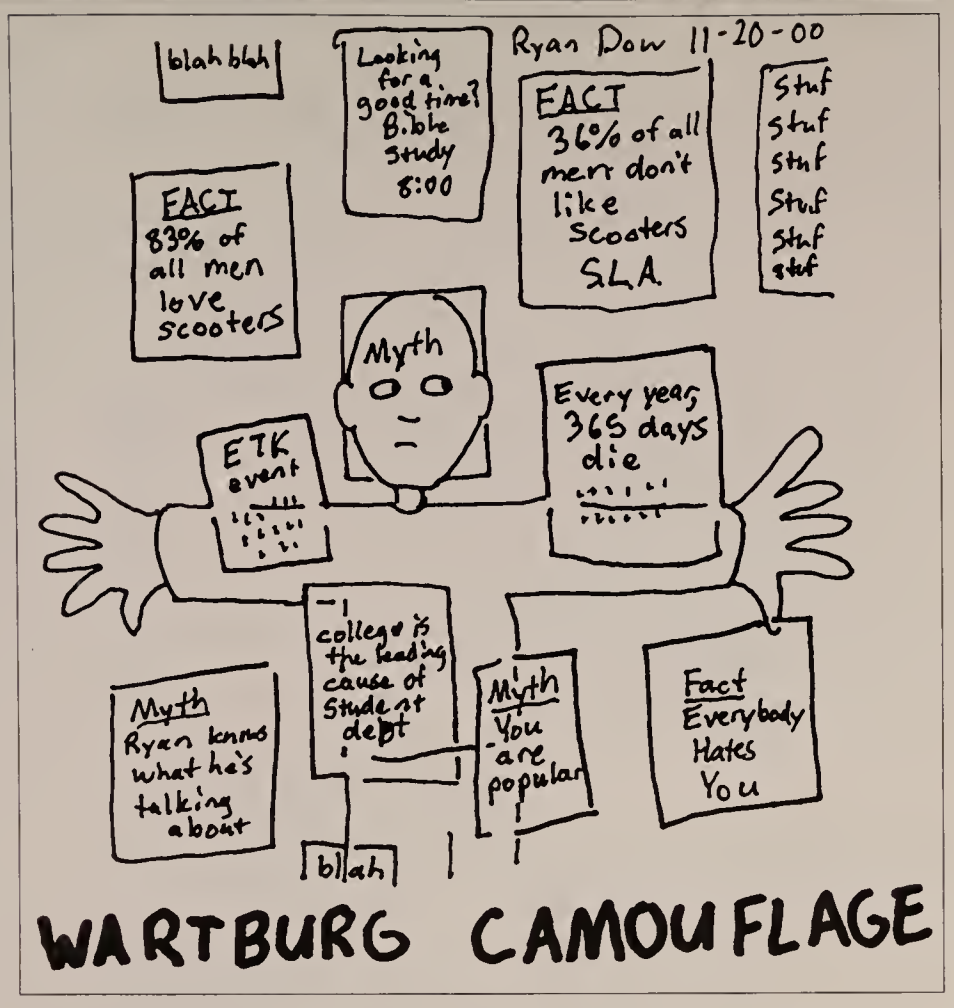
What wrong with a tie? Some people say a tie is like kissing your sister. I happen to disagree. What does a tie really mean? It means that is was a hard fought battle between two teams that played their hearts out, but neither was any better than the other was. What's so wrong with that?

But instead of both teams walking away feeling good about the game, we go to overtime or a shootout to decide who the winner is. Why not just play paper, rock, scissors to see who the better team or person is, since it is just as effective as an overtime period.

In fact, let's forget about the games in general and cut out all the garbage and just fill 100,000 seat stadiums to see the captains of the team go head-to-head in a best of five tournament of Paper, Rock, Scissors. Imagine the possibilities!

Think about the excitement there will be during the fifth and final round, when the Indianapolis Colts win the Super Bowl by defeating the Minnesota Vikings with scissors.

However, I do not speak for the majority of people. And of course, we will probably never be able to go back to the way things used to be. Oh well. Life goes on and one day we will realize, after the 27th hand recount of the ballots, that we should finally just end the thing in a tie.



Quote of the Week

"Advice is like snow — the softer it falls, the longer it dwells upon, and the deeper in sinks into the mind."

—Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Students/exam preparations begin

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"Sometimes students are very unspecific about studying," she said. "They say, 'I'll study harder for the next test.' But what does 'harder' mean? You need to do something different if you want to get different results on the next test."

Edelnant said that for many students, studying "harder" can simply require spending more time going over the material. However, some students might find that they don't know where to begin studying. For these students, Edelnant suggested looking at some Internet sites that offer studying advice that pertains specifically to final exams.

These Web sites offered some ways to make the most of studying time. Edelnant said they provide many tips.

Find out whether the final exam is comprehensive or only covers some of the course material.

Find out what percentage of the final grade will be determined based on the final exam; this may help you decide which courses need to be focused on more.

Study using the syllabus, old tests, instructor information and memory to identify what types of questions the professor may ask on the exam.

Prepare a checklist for the material so that you don't forget to study something important.

Study "backwards," reviewing the most recent information first and working your way back to the information from the beginning of the year so that it is just as fresh in your memory as the more recent information.

Create flashcards, study guides, practice tests and other study devices.

Use a mnemonic device such as an acronym that uses the first letter of each item you need to memorize when there are many complicated terms.

Consider joining a study group, but realize that there are times when you have to study individually.

Take periodic 10-minute breaks to revitalize yourself.

Edelnant and the Web sites suggested that students take care of themselves during final exams.

"You need to eat well, get plenty of sleep and take walks to give yourself a break," Edelnant said.

Web sites also suggest keeping caffeine intake to a minimum, eating real food instead of junk food, taking naps (but setting an alarm clock to assure that you wake up again!), lightly exercising and eating a nutritional breakfast before an exam.

Students share election thoughts

Eighty-two percent of 50 students surveyed on campus Tuesday said they believed that more Americans will vote in the next presidential election because of the closeness of the 2000 election.

Many of those who said the number of voters would increase gave the reason that voters now have confidence in their individual vote.

"I know firsthand because my roommate didn't vote, and now she's kicking herself," senior Stephanie Walluks said. "This is the first time that our generation realized that one vote really does make a difference."

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Senior Dallas Pagel said that if the election ends quickly, more people will vote, but if it continues, many will begin to ignore the election and decide not to vote.

Senior Dawn Beschorner agreed that more people will vote now because the recent election is so close.

"People see that we actually do make a difference," Beschorner said. "This has proven that our votes really do count."

"More people want to voice their opinion because they realize every vote really does count," sophomore Anne Freeman said.

Because of the current election impasse, 18 percent of the students polled said they thought fewer people would vote in the future.

"Right now, people don't even have trust in the nation to count ballots," junior Amy Wieland said.

"Because of the way it has been handled, people have lost faith in the system," said Shannon Pearson.

The 50 respondents were almost evenly split in their opinions about the American presidential voting system and whether or not changes should be made.

Students who said they don't want a change in the presidential voting system (52 percent) indicated a satisfaction with the way the electoral college system works.

"The current system works fine; this was just a really close election," said junior Melissa James.

Junior Jason Sullivan agreed and said that the voting system needs to stay as is.

"If the government changed [the system], votes could be swayed too easily and votes could be bought," Sullivan pointed out.

"A majority of the time our system works, but when it's this close, it doesn't really matter," freshman Derek Pavelec said. "[Gore and Bush] are obviously about equal."

Freshman Erin Shearn pointed out that if the Electoral College is eliminated, then "Iowa won't necessarily get a chance in the elections." With such a small population in relation to other states, Shearn said, seven electoral votes are vital to the voting citizens of Iowa.

Of the 48 percent wanting a change in the system, most suggested the elimination of the Electoral College.

"The Electoral College is ridiculous," senior Erika Knoravsky said. "No one understands it anyway." She suggested that people should be more educated about the Electoral College so that voters are aware of the process.

"I think they should go by the popular vote and not the electoral votes," sophomore Katie Perrinjaquet said. She suggested voting online.

"If the winner of the popular vote actually won, people would then realize that each vote counts," said junior Amy Scharnhorst .

"We should go by straight popular vote," said sophomore Bret Jons.

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Recycle more than soda cans

Campus has been littered with an abundance of posters compelling students to recycle.

One must wonder how many trees went into all of that paper. Sarcasm aside, a valuable message was raised by the effort to raise awareness and be earth friendly.

Wartburg should recycle more. Remember to properly dispose of glass, plastics, paper and clear those plates of their food, too.

Wait just a blasted minute. Where can students recycle?

For starters, there are places to recycle paper outside of the caf and near the bookstore. One can also recycle soda cans (refundable) in the dorms to support service trips.

The Residence has a nice recycling center just outside. Most of the dorms have a central location offering some recycling.

However, if there is really going to be an increase in student recycling on campus, those outlets must be made more readily available to the students in the dorms.

Let firemen make call

The fire department was conspicuously absent in the early morning hours on Saturday.

Residence life staff added up the pieces of the puzzle that they had and determined that there was no need to call the fire department.

Yet, no one actually saw the fire extinguisher discharged Saturday morning. Speculation might lead one to believe that was stupidity or a prank.

However, the fact that a doubt lingers for students who live in the Complex is a problem.

Yes, the Waverly department is volunteer. However, the residence life staff is not trained to catch a small fire that may have prompted the legitimate use of a fire extinguisher. Only trained firemen can make that call.

The justification that it would have taken longer for the department to respond is ridiculous. Saving fifteen minutes up front could potentially cost lives down the road.

The Complex is the largest dorm on campus, housing 350-400 students. It is the last place that time saving measures should superceed safety.

Will the firemen have to get up and will things take a little longer? Of course.

That, however, is a much better alternative than sending students back into a building that may have smoldering embers waiting to catch fire.

The presence of alcohol, students sleeping through the alarm or choosing not to leave amounts to a high risk of fatalities and painful injuries in the event of an actual fire.

Single vote matters

"My vote won't make a difference."

For many non-voters locally and nationwide, this was an easy way to explain their election time apathy. It could be reasoned that with the electoral college, a single vote really doesn't amount to much of anything.

All of that has changed. Almost two weeks after the national elections, the United States is still without a declared winner in the presidential race.

Republicans and Democrats are scurrying around like a pack of rabid animals. In the courts, they are waging war with briefs, suits and emotional orations before judges. In the media, it is one circus after another.

All over a handful of votes.

As of yesterday, Bush led in the critical state of Florida by a mere 930 votes. Thus far, the courts have cleared the way for three heavily Democratic counties in Florida to proceed with hand counts. More court battles are also planned for today.

The critical question: are there 931 votes out there for Al Gore?

Perhaps a better question should be posed to those who did not vote in the numerous states whose election results had national analysts guessing in the late hours of election day.

"Would you vote if you had it to do all over again?"

Hind-sight always kills, doesn't it? The leader of one of the most powerful nations in the world is now in the hands of less than a thousand voters.

For that 931st vote, someone must be kicking himself or herself for not voting.

The bottom line is that there is no longer a good reason not to vote. There are enough third party candidates out there to appeal to the diverse likings of the American society. The major parties are attempting to appeal to a wider base of individuals and to draw out the former non-voters.

Turn the tables for a moment, consider this:

If the election hinged on the electoral college votes of Iowa, and Bremer County was in the midst of a heated, legally complicated manual recount, how many Wartburg students would find themselves wishing they had voted?

Moral of the story: get involved. Besides, taking an active roll in the elections by knowing what is going on and actually voting affords one the right to complain for four years.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I want to take this opportunity to update everyone on Student Senate's activities and projects so far this year. Student Senate started the year off very busy with Orientation activities, renting refrigerators, election of senators, and the first ever signing of the Honor Code Book. I commend all of the Student Senate Execs, and the committee chairs for their hard work and dedication to Senate.

Senate has some new and exciting things happening this year. As a promotional and fun activity, Student Senate purchased frisbees for Outfly this year and organized a game of frisbee golf. In addition, we have asked the Tower Agency to design and create an interactive web site for Student Senate. The site is still under construction, but I encourage you all to visit the site at www.wartburg.edu/senate. There are links to each exec and information about all senators on this web site. Money request forms and applications for student senate have their own link. I invite all organizations that are considering requesting money, to download the money request form from the web and fill it out before printing it.

Plans for a new and remodeled student union are well under way. Currently there are six students serving on the advisory committee to give input concerning student needs in a new facility. As soon as there are plans to show to students, I will post them on the Senate office windows. Plans are also underway to reevaluate the work-study program. We will be sending out surveys to work study students for comments and suggestions to make the work-study program more beneficial for students.

I know that this has been a very brief summary of what is going on, but I welcome any questions, comments, or concerns about student issues. Please feel free to contact me at –8393 or at senate@wartburg.edu.

Thanks,
Matthew S. McNamara
Student Body President.

Dear Editor,

I would like to congratulate and extend my sympathy to the cast, crew and director of *The School for Wives* that debuted as the "rebirth" of theatre at Wartburg.

I congratulate them for their graceful performance during a blazing situation — hence the reason for the sympathy. However, the reason I sympathize with them is not because the lights went up in sparks during the second act of the opening night performance or because the lights had to be repaired twice before Saturday's performance. I extend my sympathy because of a greater issue — when will the situation get better?

After selling out all 100 seats at each of the three performances, it was obvious that theatre is important to the students and residents of Waverly. What is not obvious is Wartburg's support of the theatre program. One would have imagined it would have had the facility inspected — even updated.

If Wartburg is telling prospective and current students — or worse yet, itself and faculty members — that theatre is important, the college should seriously consider what it takes to successfully run a theatre program.

If you are paying what I am paying to go here, I would imagine you will agree with me when I say that I recognize as a small school we cannot afford to do everything; so what we do, we should do right. I implore the students and administrators to consider what they want at Wartburg, and when they decide, stick to it wholeheartedly.

Sincerely,
Mike Tyer
Scenic Designer
The School For Wives

Thanksgiving celebrated on and off campus

Emily Block
Staff Writer

With Thanksgiving near, many students are beginning to look forward to a brief break, giving them a chance to visit with others they have not seen in a while and to dive into the famous turkey dinner.

Looking forward to these few days off from class, students have a variety of activities planned. Some have been traditions for years.

Sophomore Allison Ergang said she plans on playing her traditional game of football with some of her friends in her hometown the day after Thanksgiving. Sophomore Danielle Dyvig explained that her family always puts up their Christmas tree the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

Other traditions connected with this holiday are centered around the food cooked and then quickly eaten on this day. Senior Melissa Jepson said that her family always has turkey and ham on its dinner table. Jepson said her favorite part of the meal is her grandma's apple pie.

"She makes her apple pie for all of the holidays," Jepson said. "She likes to spoil us grandchildren."

Sophomore Gary Tate explained that his grandma always makes food specifically for him.

"Since Thanksgiving is always when I am in wrestling, I have to watch what I eat," Tate said. "My grandma always makes me fat-free Jell-O for part of my meal."

Dyvig added that her mom always makes a strawberry salad with a pretzel crust that everyone enjoys eating. She said there are "rules" for who is the designated person to bring the pies to their family dinner.

"Whoever has the dinner at their house doesn't have to bring any pie for dessert," Dyvig said. "Everybody who comes to that house is in charge of bringing the pie."

With all of the food served up on this day, some students said they have little energy after eating.

"Sometimes after dinner the kids will all play ping pong, that is if we are really ambitious," Jepson explained. "Usually we all just fall asleep because we're so stuffed."

"Everyone always gets fat and just falls asleep," Tate said.

Even with the many students who will be going home during break, some will remain on campus. In an effort to help these students feel like they are more at home during the holiday, three groups on campus, including the Social Work Club, Black Student Union and the Cultural Awareness Organization, have joined together in order to serve these students a home-cooked meal. The meal was served before break, Sunday, Nov. 19.

> "Our family has always taken in people to eat with us... so my mom thought that we should bring Thanksgiving to the students who can't go home for the holiday.
>
> --senior Amanda Porter

Senior Amanda Porter, member of both the Social Work Club and the Cultural Awareness Organization, was in charge of this event. She said the idea came from her mom.

"Our family has always taken in people to eat with us," Porter explained. "So my mom thought that we should bring Thanksgiving to the students who can't go home for the holiday."

This has been the first year that these three groups have joined together to put on this event. The organizations' goal was to have 50 people come to the dinner, and as of Wednesday, Nov. 15, they had a total of 40 students signed up to either help prepare the meal or come eat the dinner.

"This has turned into a collaboration of different people joining together," Porter said. "We all are getting to know each other better."

No matter whether students will be going home or staying on campus over break, many students are just excited for the holiday.

"I'm excited to see my family because I haven't seen them in a while," Jepson explained. "I always have a lot of fun when I'm with them."

In planning her break, sophomore Mandy Grizzle said, "I don't have enough time to do everything I would like to do over this break," Grizzle said. "There is a lot more family and friends I would like to see while I'm home."

Whatever the case, all students will be able to have the opportunity to have some turkey on their plate and visit with family and friends, whether it is at home or part of the meal put on for students who will remain on campus.

Campus briefs

THANKSGIVING BREAK

Thanksgiving Break begins at 1:35 p.m. Wednesday. The class schedule is altered and periods one through six will meet for 50 minutes, with a 10-minute break between classes.

CHRISTMAS WITH WARTBURG

Several concert tickets are still available for the Thursday, Nov. 3,0 performance of Christmas with Wartburg in Neumann Auditorium. Interested persons may obtain tickets from Karen Funk in the Visitor Information Center during work hours today.

MR. WARTBURG CONTEST

The Tower Agency is sponsoring the first ever Mr. Wartburg Contest. Mr. Wartburg is someone who is involved academically and socially on campus. Vote for three men in your class during the week of Nov. 27-Dec. 1 to choose the top 12 finalists. Three finalists from each class will compete for the title and receive a prize. Each finalist will be featured in a calendar designed and published by the Tower Agency. Questions may be directed to Tower Agency account executive Katie Schatz at schatzk or Ext. 7034.

FORENSICS FUNDRAISER

The Wartburg Forensics Team is selling poinsettias now through Nov. 27 for $10. Checks may be placed in Forensics Coach Penni Pier's box in the communication arts office. For more information contact Pier at Ext. 8256 or e-mail pier.

HOLIDAY SHOPPE

The 2000 Bremer County Holiday Shoppe wants to get into the Christmas spirit and help families in need within the community. A giving tree is located in Buhr Lounge, where you may pick up an ornament and purchase toys for a specific aged child. New toys will be accepted in the admissions office before Friday, Dec. 1. If you would like to help, make a monetary contribution or ask questions, contact co-directors Jennifer Horstmann at horstmannj or Ext. 0555, or Lynn Terbeest at terbeestl or Ext. 1751.

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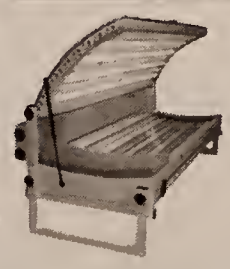

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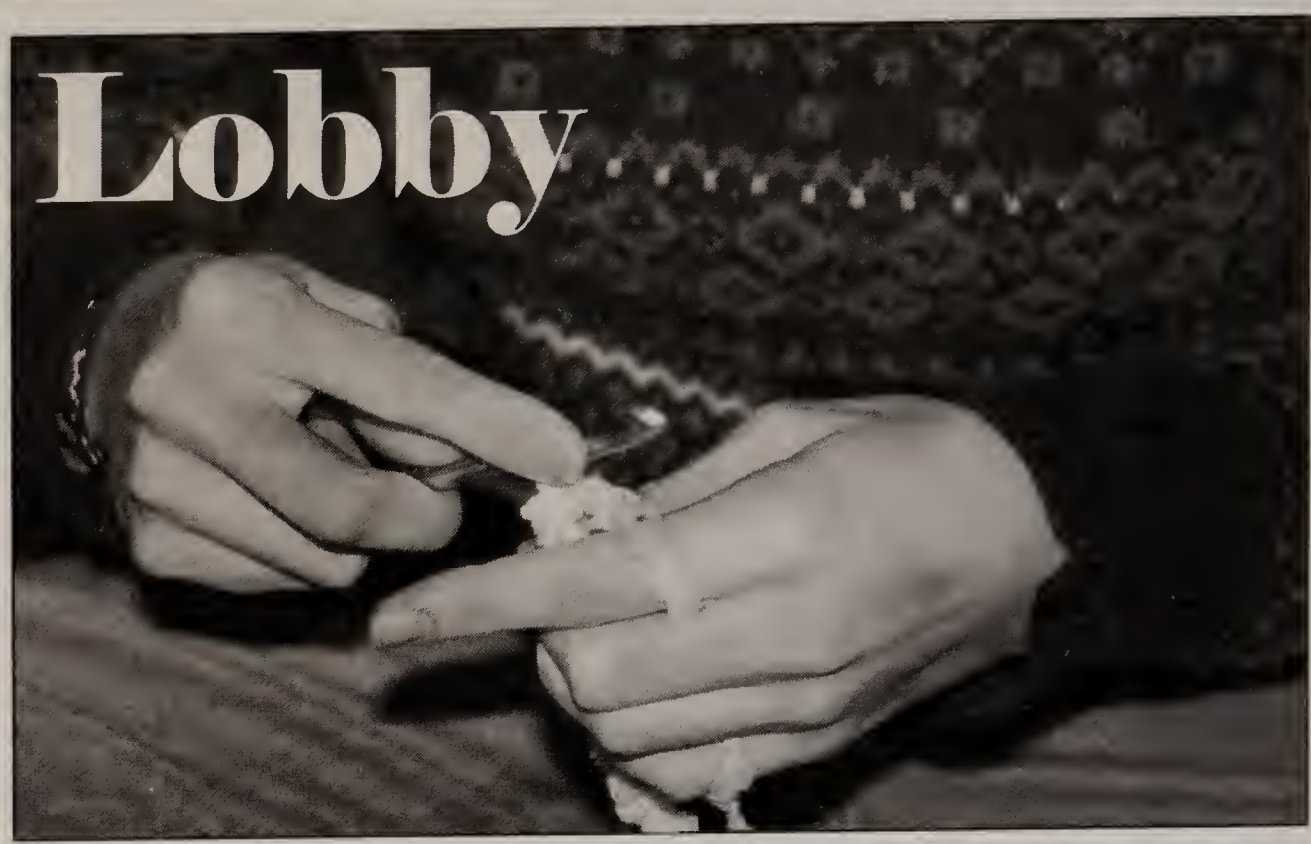

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Left: Freshman Rebekah Meyer begins crocheting a scarf.

Below: Freshman Kate Kamaus finishes her scarf. Crocheting is the activity this month at Hobby Lobby.

Katie Shannon
Features Editor

Crocheting, knitting and scrapbooking...the Hobby Lobby plans to do it all.

The Hobby Lobby is a new club on campus that focuses on teaching students how to do different crafts.

President of the club, senior Joni Burrier, said that the crafts they planned to do this year include quilting, making picture frames, cooking and cross-stitching.

"Anything that anyone wants to learn, we're going to try to find someone who knows how to do it and teach us all," Burrier said.

Each month the club will focus on a different activity.

Senior Erin Robinson is excited about the possibilities.

"I love hanging out with people and doing crafts," she said. "It's a fun bonding experience. And it is great learning how to do a lot of the trades that people throughout history have been able to do but we seem to have lost in our generation."

Burrier came up with the idea for Hobby Lobby.

"I was quilting with a friend and we thought there were other people on campus who would love to learn how. I thought, maybe I will start a club so people can learn and that we can use each other's gifts and learn from one another," she said.

Burrier said they are currently working on a constitution. She will take the club to Senate later in the month to get it approved.

The Hobby Lobby meets Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in Knights Village Lounge.

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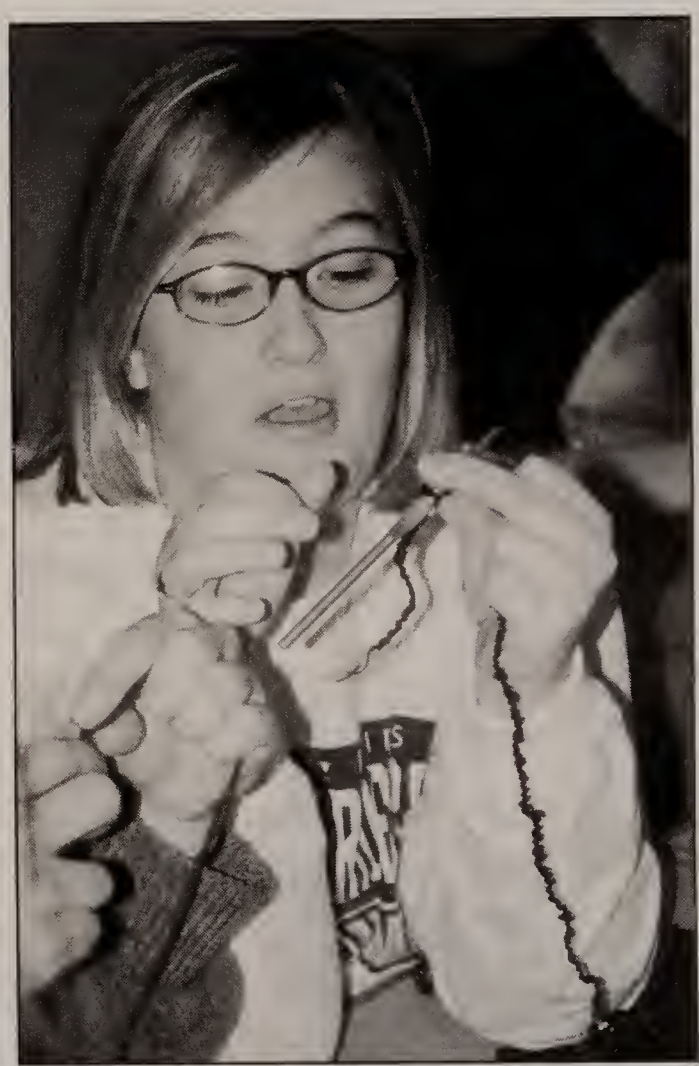
HELPING HAND— Senior Joni Burrier helps junior Kris Yeager and senior Katie Wilharm learn how to crochet.



Trinkets — and — Togs

Katie Shannon/TRUMPET

Nick Robertson and Joni Burrier
Guest Writers

Did you know that Trinkets & Togs is not just your everyday second-hand store? In actuality, it is a place that also helps people with disabilities get their chance in the world.

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'Tis season for Christmas (with Wartburg)

Janna Swedin/TRUMPET
HARD AT WORK— Under the direction of Professor Matthew Armstrong, the Ritterchor rehearses many hours a week in preparation for Christmas with Wartburg.

Melissa Carlson
Staff Writer

The Wartburg College music department will debut this year's Christmas with Wartburg performance Thursday, Nov. 30, in Neumann Auditorium.

This year's theme is based on the text taken from Isaiah's prophesy, "Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son and shall call his name Emmanuel."

The program will also carry a rose theme. In the Christian faith, a rose is looked upon as a symbol of Christ. The color red represents His blood shed for our sins. The thorns represent the crown of thorns worn when Christ was crucified, and the rose bud symbolizes the Christ child – a life waiting to blossom. This theme is carried throughout the program in several songs performed by the Wartburg Choir, Castle Singers, Ritterchor and Wind Ensemble.

At the end of the program, the congregation will participate in the singing of "Lo How A Rose," in preparation for the finale.

The program will begin and end with two songs sung and played by the choirs and the Wind Ensemble, both written by Wartburg professor Matthew Armstrong.

"I always feel a sense of 'birth' with a new piece and I think this is extra special when it's a piece that has been written for Wartburg students," said Armstrong. "I am a person of faith and I strive to write music that challenges people to 'feel' what being a human being is all about. I truly love this part of my job...the creative process is exciting to me, fulfilling and cathartic."

The program features senior soloists Becca Martin and Chris Knudson and a traditional Arabic Christmas hymn that delivers a message of peace and hope on Christmas Eve. This year, the song has a deeper impact due to the Israeli and Palestinian conflict. Dina Tannous, an international student from Palestine, taught the choirs the proper pronunciation and translation of the song that she has grown up listening to every Christmas Eve.

"Since I am unable to go home for Christmas as I had originally planned, I realized that teaching this song to the choirs was as close to home as I am going to get," said Tannous. "The choirs have it down really well. This song is coming from mouths that have never spoken Arabic before, and I am able to close my eyes and have the song set me at peace and bring me home."

For the first time, Christmas with Wartburg will be televised, carrying the meaning of the Arabic song and the prophecy theme to a wider audience. The compatibility between the vocal faculty and the members of the choirs and Wind Ensemble will offer an unforgettable and high-quality experience for every individual in the audience.

"Dr. Torkelson, Dr. Hancock and I have tremendous respect for one another and we truly enjoy working together, " Armstrong said. "Christmas With Wartburg is Wartburg's gift to the community...that community has come to include the state of Iowa and, this year, even a wider audience because of the television broadcasts. I hope that people will find hope in the spirit of the season and deeper compassion for those they may not fully understand."

In addition to the Thursday performance in Waverly, Christmas with Wartburg will be performed Friday, Dec. 1, in Nazareth Lutheran Church in Cedar Falls; Saturday, Dec. 2, in the Civic Center in Des Moines; and Sunday, Dec. 3, in Neumann Auditorium in Waverly.

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Knight grapplers take to mat

Luke Winn/Lance Ridpath
Staff Writers

Wartburg wrestlers brought home hardware from two different states Saturday. Split squads traveled to the Coe Turkey Invitational in Cedar Rapids and another went to the Kauffman-Brand Open in Omaha, Neb.

At Coe, the Knights did very well, placing eight wrestlers in the top five in their weight classes. Highlighting the tournament was sophomore Paul Rea, who won the 197-pound division.

Also placing for the Knights were freshman Nick Kilburg, who finished second at 133 pounds while sophomore Eric Thompson placed third at 125.

In Omaha, several Knights saw action on the mat. Senior Casey Doyle earned a pin and made it to the quarterfinals of the 141-pound open class. In the 20-Under division, sophomore Sonny Alvarez finished in sixth place at 184 pounds.

A home dual match against Dubuque that was scheduled for last Thursday has been moved to Dec. 8.

The Knights were in action Nov. 11 at the UW-Stevens Point Open.

"We did pretty average. We had a lot of young wrestlers and many of them wrestled like it," said head coach Jim Miller.

The outlook for this year is not as high as it has been in past years. The Knights were ranked 4th in preseason polls with only two returnees who are known nationally.

Those wrestlers are senior 197-pounder Matt Buskohl of Dike and senior 141-pounder Casey Doyle of Manchester. Doyle is a defending conference champion and placed sixth at the 2000 national tournament. Buskohl was a conference runner-up at 197 last season and placed fourth in the nation. Both were All-Americans.

"The main goals for these guys is to get them some national titles and to get them better known on the national level," said Miller.

The Knights had four runner-up finishes in the Silver and Gold Divisions at Stevens Point.

Buskohl, sophomore 125-pounder Brian Frost of Gilbertville, and freshmen 149-pounder Joe Forsberg of Palatine, Ill. and 197-pounder Paul Rea of Waukon each placed second at their weights. Buskohl and Frost each wrestled in the Gold division while Rea and Forsberg competed in the Silver class.

"This season is pretty uncharacteristic because we have so many unknown wrestlers who are freshmen," Miller said.

Wartburg has been said to be in a rebuilding mode this year. The defending national runner-up Knights head into this season without six All-Americans from last year's team.

Miller, who has been head coach at Wartburg for nine years, said the team goals for the season are the same as always.

These goals are to win the conference title, and to get many of the younger wrestlers known nationally. Twelve freshmen and thirteen sophomores are on the team, many of whom have found themselves in the starting lineup this season.

Key returners for the Knights include Doyle and Buskohl, junior 174-pounder Cody Alesch, sophomore 125-pounder Joe Havig, and sophomore heavyweight LeRoy Gardner III. Alesch turned in a 5-0 dual mark in 1999-2000. Havig finished 3-1, and Gardner was unbeaten in three dual appearances.

Miller says the tough teams in the conference this year will be Buena Vista, Loras College and Luther College. All have given Wartburg a run for the conference title in past years.

"We want to close the gap between the younger wrestlers and their inexperience. To be a championship team, we need to get the young guys better now and not have to wait three to four years down the road," said Miller.

Rea said that even though expectations might not be as high as they have been in the past, he has faith in the Knights.

"The coaches were not too impressed with how the team did last Saturday, but you can't be too surprised with how we did because so many of us were young," Rea said.

"Back in 1998 we were in the same situation with a young team and not many of them having much experience. But the team really came on towards the end of the year and won the conference."

2000-01 Home Wrestling Meets

Friday, Dec. 8—University of Dubuque Dual, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 9—Dick Walker Invite, 9 a.m.
Thursday, Jan. 18—Simpson Dual, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 20—Stevens Point Dual, 7 p.m.
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Cross teams distinguish selves at Nationals

Corey Arndt
Staff Writer

The Wartburg cross country teams finished one of their best seasons to date Saturday in Spokane, Wash. with two top 20 team-finishes.

The women, led by junior Erin VanZee, finished 19th overall with 402 points. VanZee came in 45th, running against over 200 of the nation's top Division III runners. VanZee crossed the line in 19:07.

Luther's Johanna Olson continued her solid performances finishing 1st overall with a time of 17:54. Olson crossed the line 16 seconds ahead of the rest of the field leading Luther to third place with 196 points. The no. 1 ranked team throughout the season, Middlebury College, won the national title with 103 points.

Other top runners for the Wartburg women were junior Amie Brunko finishing 71st in 19:26 and sophomore Stacy Ernst finishing 83rd with a time of 19:34.

The men's team came in 20th overall with 445 points, led by senior Tom Zirbel. Zirbel ran his last race as a Wartburg Knight in 26:11, finishing 53rd overall.

Sophomore Adam Sundall was the second runner to finish for the Knights coming in 90th in 26:30. Sophomore Tyson Keith, 95th overall, finished six seconds after Sundall with a time 26:36.

Tim McCoskey of North Central was the overall champion with a time of 24:47 and Calvin College was the team champion with 65 points.

This season marked the first time in Wartburg cross country history that both the men's and women's teams qualified for Nationals in the same year.

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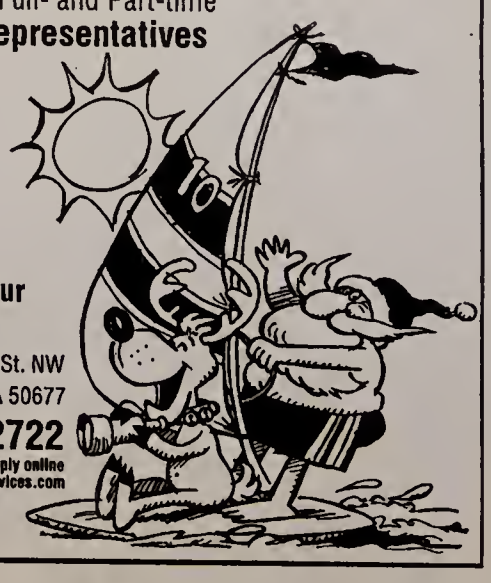

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Cagers win tournament

Joshua Smothers
Staff Writer

Buzz Levick's legacy continues to be synonymous with greatness as the Wartburg men's basketball team captured the first place trophy Saturday evening in the Buzz Levick/Lutheran Brotherhood Tip-Off Classic.

The Knights defeated Saint Mary (Kan.) in the championship game, 84-74, after rallying from an 18-1 deficit in the early moments of the game.

Sophomore forward Mike Pipho, the tournament's Most Valuable Player, scored 20 points and grabbed six rebounds to help lead the way.

"We showed a lot of character," said Head Coach Dick Peth. "Everyone contributed against Saint Mary. We can always count on Troy [Osterhaus] and Pat [Morrison], but all the players' efforts helped in this game."

It was a team effort, indeed, as senior guard Morrison finished with 17 points, while connecting on three three-pointers down the stretch. Fellow senior point guard and All-Tournament selection Marcus Meeks was a perfect eight for eight from the free throw line, helping him score 13 points, as well as leading the team in assists and steals with five each.

"Marcus controlled the tempo all night," said Peth. "As we calmed down, Marcus stepped up on both ends of the court for us."

The Knights missed their first nine shots, while the Spires canned six of their first seven from the floor. Down 38-28 at halftime, the Knights began another rally which proved to be more influential than the first, outscoring the Spires 56-36 in the second half.

"We missed some shots early in the game and got caught up in their pace," said Peth. "We began to play their game. Fortunately, we turned that around in the second half."

The Knights, down the entire game, finally knotted the score at 54 at the 10:45 mark on two free throws by junior forward Roger Kobliska, and took the lead for good with 9:20 to play after a three-pointer from Meeks to make it 61-59. Key steals in the waning moments from senior guard Osterhaus, Meeks and Pipho helped seal the victory.

The Knights advanced to the championship game by defeating Avila College (Mo.) 79-63 Friday evening.

Once again, Pipho helped guide the victory, scoring 17 points and grabbing eight rebounds. Morrison chipped in with 13 points, which included a high-flying baseline dunk. Meeks collected a team high five steals, Osterhaus was a perfect five for five from the line, and both guards tallied 11 points in the effort.

Up by as many as 20 points in the second half, the Knights' defense allowed only two Avila players to enter double digits. Marion Whitfield's 21 points led all scorers, and brother Mark added 10 for the opponents.

"We played tremendous defense against Avila, especially in the first half," said Peth. "I'd like to see if we could play even a little better. We could have taken care of the ball better, but that will improve as we continue to play."

The Knights, now 2-0, host Cornell College Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Sarah Seboldt/TRUMPET
ELUDING THE DEFENSE—Sophomore Dan Schuknecht beats a Saint Mary defender and lays the ball off the glass in the Knights 84-74 win in the Buzz Levick Championship game Saturday.

NOT QUITE HIGH ENOUGH—Senior Steve Schuster (below) gets his shot blocked by an Avila College defender Friday. The Knights beat Avila 79-63 to advance to Saturday's championship game against Saint Mary.
Janna Swedin/TRUMPET

Women split in Texas

The Wartburg College women's basketball finished third in the Southwestern (Texas) Invitational Saturday, beating Southwestern 61-48.

Sophomore forward Holly Mohs led the Knights for the second straight night. Mohs tallied a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds to go along with three blocks and three steals. Senior guard Molly Mason chipped in 17 points and eight rebounds. Senior center Jenni Donohue scored 10 points.

Down 25-19 at the half, the Knights came back and outscored Southwestern 42-23 in the second half.

Forward Heather Johnson of Southwestern led the Pirates with 16 points and eight rebounds. Also contributing was center Anna Sykes with nine rebounds.

The Knights held Kendra Meyer, DIII News Preseason Player of the Year, to just 12 points Friday in a 60-53 loss to Capital College (Ohio) in the first round of the tournament.

The Knights defense kept the two-time NCAA Division III national champion within range throughout the night. Wartburg held a 29-20 halftime lead and kept the Crusaders to 33.8 percent shooting.

Mohs led the Knights with a career high of 26 points and pulled down 10 rebounds for a double-double. Junior guard Brianne Schoonover helped the Knights with 12 points and three steals.

Wartburg out-shot Capital from the field, hitting at a 45 percent clip.

Rochelle Germany and Michelle Budd led Capital with 16 and 14 points, respectively.

The Knights open conference play Tuesday against Cornell at 6 p.m. in the Knights Gymnasium.

Courtesy of Sports Information

Upcoming Games

Tuesday, Nov. 21—Cornell, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 28—at Dubuque, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 30—South Australia, 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 8—at Upper Iowa, 6 p.m.